

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Karen Brown on January 4, 2008.

Note: There was an inadvertent typographical error in the examiner's amendment mailed on November 26, 2007, which is corrected here below.

The application has been amended as follows:

In Claims:

In claim 3, line 1, delete " claim 2 " and in place insert -- claim 1 --.

(Copy of claim 3 as amended is included in Appendix)

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Deepak Rao whose telephone number is (571) 272-0672. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James O. Wilson, can be reached at (571) 272-0661. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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**/Deepak Rao/
Primary Examiner
Art Unit 1624**

January 4, 2008

APPENDIX

Copy of claim 3 as amended by examiner's amendment:

3. (Currently Amended) The compound according to ~~claim 2~~ claim 1, wherein said compound has one or more features selected from the group consisting of:

(a) R^1 is hydrogen, Ar^1 or $-T-Ar^1$ wherein T is a C_{1-4} alkylidene chain and Ar^1 is a 6-membered saturated, partially saturated, or aryl ring having zero to two heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen, or sulfur, and wherein each member of R^1 is optionally substituted with one $-Z-R^3$ and one to three additional groups independently selected from $-CO_2R$, $-OR$, halogen, $-NRSO_2R$, $-SO_2N(R)_2$, $-NRCON(R)_2$, $-NO_2$, or $-N(R)_2$;

(b) R^2 is Ar^2 or $-CH_2-Ar^2$ wherein Ar^2 is selected from 5-6 membered ring selected from carbocyclic, aryl, or a heterocyclyl or heteroaryl ring having one to two heteroatoms independently selected from nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur, and wherein Ar^2 is optionally substituted with one to five groups independently selected from $-Z-R^3$, $-R$, halogen, $-NO_2$, $-CN$, $-OR$, $-SR$, $-N(R)_2$, $-NRC(O)R$, $-NRC(O)N(R)_2$, $-NRCO_2R$, $-C(O)R$, $-CO_2R$, $-C(O)N(R)_2$, $-OC(O)N(R)_2$, $-S(O)R$, $-SO_2R$, $-SO_2N(R)_2$, $-N(R)SO_2R$, $-N(R)SO_2N(R)_2$, $-C(O)C(O)R$, or $-C(O)CH_2C(O)R$; and

(c) G is hydrogen.